

**Village Of Castalia
October 14, 2025
Meeting Minutes**

The Village of Castalia Council met in Regular Session on October 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village of Castalia Hall located at 126 Main Street, Castalia, Ohio. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Johnson with the following in attendance: Barb Weyer, Georgia Artrip, Si Nicholson, Cindy Crawford, Legal Counsel Randy Strickler, Fiscal Consultant Diane Schaefer. Jake Smith was absent and excused. Fiscal Officer Kathy Niehm was absent due to an emergency at her residence. Legal Counsel Randy Strickler was also in attendance.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Excuse Jake Smith. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Artrip Made a Motion to Approve the 9/23//2025 Minutes. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Crawford abstain. Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Artrip Made a Motion to Approve the Finance Report Dated 10/7/2025. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Approve the Warrants Dated 10/7/2025. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Accept the Receipts Dated 9/30/2025-10/7/2025. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Zoning Inspector Tom Johnson stated the door knob on the back door has been installed. Mr. Johnson stated there were 2 complaints of chickens in the Village and the owner stated they will be removed. Mr. Johnson stated he will spray the outside of the building for spiders. Mr. Johnson stated the old chairs in the meeting room need to be scrapped. **Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion for Mr. Johnson to get Estimates for 5 Chairs for the Meeting Room. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous.** Mr. Johnson will be out of town from October 20, 2025 until November 1, 2025.

Margaretta Road Superintendent Bob Biglin stated the battery for the dump truck is not working. **Mrs. Artrip Made a Motion to Purchase 2 Batteries for the dump truck not to Exceed \$750.00. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.**

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Authorize Hula to Clean the Storm Sewers on North Depot Street not to Exceed \$1,000. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Schaefer stated she did a settlement sheet to pay the Sheriff's office.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Adopt Fund #2903 for the Police Levy. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Adopt Supplemental Appropriations for the Following:

2011-630-640 Payment to Other Political subdivision \$6,200

2101-640-399 Storm Sewers-Contractual Services \$2,000

2101-630-640 Payment to Other Political Subdivision \$2,500

2401-650-311 Street Lighting Electricity \$2,400

Source of Funding: Additional unappropriated revenues, Based on projected revenues.

Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes. Motion carried.

There was a discussion on loud vehicle noise in the Village. Mr. Strickler stated he spoke with the Sheriff regarding loud vehicles. Mr. Strickler will review the present ordinances regarding loud noise.

Mr. Strickler reviewed the Credit Card Policy and he will repeal the policy and will generate a new policy for Council.

There was a discussion on the Pay Range Policy for the Zoning Inspector with a Range of \$200.00 to \$700.00 per Month. Mr. Strickler will generate the Policy for Council.

There was a discussion on the Pay Range Policy for the Mayor of the Village for \$500.00 per Month effective January, 2026. Mr. Strickler will generate the policy for Council.

Mayor Johnson has not heard from ODOT regarding any issues.

Mrs. Weyer stated a Work Session meeting needs to be scheduled. November 18th for the Work Session at 6:00 p.m. with the Regular Meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m. There will be no Council meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of November.

There was a discussion regarding the Erie County Commissioner meeting regarding Homestead Exemption, Mrs. Weyer and Ms. Schaefer attended the meeting.

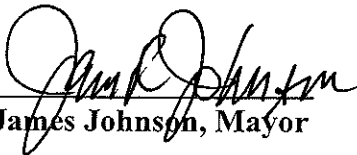
There was a discussion on cyber security for the Village. Mr. Strickler will check for a cyber policy for the Village.

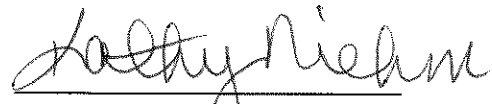
Mrs. Artrip Made a Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. according to Section 121.22(G)2&3 . Mrs. Weyer seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mrs. Weyer, Yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Return to the Regular Session at 9:06 p.m. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Weyer Made a Motion to Amend the Assessment Against 711 Main St., Castalia, Ohio to \$4,500. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mrs. Weyer, yes; Mrs. Artrip, yes; Mrs. Crawford, yes; Mr. Nicholson, yes. Motion carried.

With no further business to come before Council, Mr. Nicholson Made a Motion to Adjourn at 9:08 p.m. Mrs. Artrip seconded the motion. Roll Call: Yeas, unanimous.


James Johnson, Mayor


Kathy Niehm, Fiscal Officer

Notes were taken from a recording.

